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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed June 28, 2002, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-9, drawn to an isolated nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide monomer.

The foregoing election is made with traverse, as the four groups set forth by the Examiner all stem from a common concept and theory, and involve related compounds and methods. As such, prosecution of the claims of Groups I-VIII would not place a substantially greater burden on the Examiner. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the Restriction Requirement and consider all the claims together.

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In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at .

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